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REMARKS

The drawings were objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The Examiner stated that the relief valve required in Claims 19 and 27 must be shown or the features should be cancelled from the claims. Figure 2 has been amended to include a relief valve 69. The specification has also been amended to provide the reference number 69 for the relief valve already disclosed in the specification.

Claims 1, 7-9 and 11-13 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Altmayer (4,927,089). Claim 3 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Altmayer as noted in the previous Office Action. Claim 10 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Altmayer in view of Hamaguchi et al (5,857,630).

Claims 14-31 were deemed allowable. Claims 5 and 6 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 5 has now been amended to be in independent form including all the limitations of claim 1 and claim 5. Claim 5 and 6 are now believed to be allowable. Claims 1-2 and 4 are cancelled. Claims 3 and 7-13 are ultimately dependent upon allowable claim 5.

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This amendment should place this case in condition for passing to issue. Such action is requested. If the Examiner feels that prosecution of the present application can be expedited by way of an Examiner's amendment, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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